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SUBJ: PAK AID TO AFGHANISTAN

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1. PAK ASSISTANCE TO AFGHAN EARTHQUAKE AND FLOOD VICTIMS CONTINUES TO RECEIVE PROMINENT COVERAGE IN PAKISTAN MEDIA. APRIL 27 PAK TIMES FRONTPAGE STORY STATES PAKISTAN RED CRESCENT SOCIETY CHAIRMAN BEGUM BHUTTO HAS ORDERED IMMEDIATE SHIPMENT OF RELIEF SUPPLIES TO AFGHANISTAN. THIS IS IN ADDITION TO FOOD SHIPMENT ANNOUNCED YESTERDAY BY PM (REFTEL). RED CRESCENT SENDING 2,000 TONS OF RICE, 200 TENTS AND MEDICATIONS WORTH RS.200,000 (DOLS20,000). ALSO, RS.1,000,000 (DOLS100,000) IN CASH WILL BE GIVEN TO AFGHAN RED CRESCENT. FIRST PLANELOAD OF RELIEF SUPPLIES WAS SCHEDULED TO FLY PINDI TO KABUL MORNING APRIL 27. BEGUM BHUTTO HAS ALSO SENT A CABLE TO PRESIDENT OF AFGHAN RED CRESCENT EXPRESSING SYMPATHIES

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AND CONCERN OF PAKISTAN SOCIETY.

2. URDU LANGUAGE JANG REPORTS KABUL RADIO HAS
ANNOUNCED PRESIDENT DAOUD HAS EXPRESSED THANKS TO
PRIME MINISTER AND PEOPLE OF PAKISTAN FOR ASSISTANCE
TO AFGHANISTAN. BOTH ENGLISH AND VERNACULAR PRESS
CARRY EDITORIALS APRIL 27 LAUDING PRIME MINISTER'S
DECISION TO SEND ASSISTANCE TO AFGHANISTAN AND NOTING
ANY POLITICAL DIFFERENCES ARE OUTWEIGHED BY IMPORTANCE
OF RENDERING AID TO AFGHAN BROTHERS.
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